

An executive session at which it approved the list of questions to be asked Mr. Lawson.

In Written Form.

These questions are in written form and embody, substantially, the same language used when Mr. Lawson was interrogated by members of the committee last week.

These questions ask Mr. Lawson to give the name of the Cabinet officer and the banker alleged to have been involved in the "leak" and the speculation that followed, as well as the name of the member of Congress who discussed the matter with Lawson.

Lawson told the committee last week that "a member of Congress" had brought in the names of the Cabinet officer and banker during a conversation between Lawson and this member of Congress.

Declined to Reveal Name.

The financier said the matter was "so serious" that he would decline to reveal any of these names at a preliminary inquiry, but would reveal them to "a special investigating committee."

Lawson also supplied "hearsay" evidence that a Cabinet officer, a Senator, and a banker had a joint stock account, and promised to tell a special committee about how they divided the proceeds—"more than a million dollars." He claimed to have had a conversation with a banker who knew another banker, and this latter banker, according to the second-hand information, virtually controlled a member of the Cabinet "and could force him to come to New York at any time."

Included in Questions.

The questions about this alleged stock account are also included in the written questions the Rules Committee will press for answer.

Altogether the questions prepared by the committee cover sixteen type-written pages. The committee declined to make public these questions in advance of the hearing, evidently on the theory that it would both be unfair to the witness and likewise it might give him undue foreknowledge of the grilling to which he is to be subjected.

Members of the Committee came to the morning hearing prepared to meet any emergency. Not only did Congressman Campbell, ranking Republican member, have ready a motion to cite Lawson for contempt—if he fails to answer—but plans were well laid for taking Lawson into immediate custody.

Appreciate Possibility.

The members of the Rules Committee appreciate that Lawson may have recourse to a writ of habeas corpus in the Federal courts. This method of evading contempt charges has been invoked several times in the past. The more recent case is that of Snowden Marshall, district attorney for the Southern district of New York, who defied the authority of a subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee and severely criticized it.

When a Sergeant-at-Arms was sent to New York to take Mr. Marshall into custody he sued out a writ of habeas corpus and has never been haled before the bar of the House. The case is now before the Supreme Court of the United States.

Would Foretell Writ.

However, the committee plans to take Mr. Lawson quickly into custody and foretell a writ if this is possible. These plans, of course, are based on the supposition that Lawson may refuse to testify. It is quite likely that Mr. Lawson has taken precautionary measures and his writ may be ready the moment an attempt is made to bring him before the House.

In 1873 one Henry Wilcox was taken into custody of the Sergeant-at-Arms for refusal to answer at a "leak" inquiry on advance information as to a President's message. He was detained two days by the House authorities and then answered.

In that case, however, Wilcox made no attempt to sue out a writ of habeas corpus, and the Rules Committee does not know what might be the outcome should the resourceful Lawson not submit tamely to detention by the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House.

URGES BRANCH POSTOFFICE

Columbia Heights Wants Permanent Classified Office.

Action relative to the establishment of a permanent classified post-office in Columbia Heights will be taken at a meeting of the executive committee of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association Wednesday night.

The association has already gone on record at two previous meetings as desiring the proposed branch. Its need is believed to be imperative by the association. There are said to be 70,000 residents in Columbia Heights and the adjoining territory who are in daily need of a branch as outlined.

Many requests for Frederick J. Rice, president of the association, to have a ruling on the matter are said to have been received. President Rice stated today that there would be no question but that the executive committee will recommend the establishment of a classified station such as has been asked. It is stated that in appeal to the postal authorities will be made as soon as it is definitely determined that Postmaster Merritt O. Chance is not to take a favorable action.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

District of Columbia.—Probably snow tonight and Tuesday; continued cold; lowest temperature about 20 degrees.

Maryland.—Probably snow tonight and Tuesday; continued cold; fresh northeast and east winds.

Virginia.—Probably snow tonight and Tuesday; snow or sleet in south portion tonight and Tuesday; not much change in temperature; fresh east winds.

Temperatures.

8 a. m. 18
9 a. m. 18
10 a. m. 18
11 a. m. 20
12 noon. 21
1 p. m. 21

Tide Table.

High tides: 12:15 p. m., height 2.4
12:45 p. m., height 2.7
Low tides: 6:27 a. m., height 0.1
7:42 p. m., height 0.1

Sun and Moon Table.

Sun rises: 7:26 a. m.
Sun sets: 5:10 p. m.
Moon rises: 10:41 a. m.
Moon sets: 10:41 a. m.

Light automobile lamps, 5:40 p. m.

WHITE SLAVE LAW UPHELD BY COURT

Nation's Highest Tribunal Affirms Diggs-Caminetti Sentence.

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Diggs was convicted; or to transport an unmarried woman, under eighteen years of age, with the intent to induce her to engage in prostitution, debauchery and immoral practices, for which Hayes was convicted, would seem by the very statement of the facts to embrace transportation for purposes denounced by the act and, therefore, fairly within its meaning.

Of the plea of the defense that the law opens the doors to blackmailers, he said:

"The fact, if it be so, that the act as it is written opens the door to blackmailing operation on a large scale, is no reason why the courts should refuse to enforce it, according to its terms, if within the constitutional authority of Congress. Such considerations are more appropriately left to the legislative branch of the Government, which alone has authority to enact and may if it sees fit, amend the law."

The Dissenting Opinion.

In the dissenting opinion, written by Justice McKenna and concurred in by Chief Justice White and Justice Clarke, it was argued that it is natural always to resort for explanation of a law to its first words. The transportation made unlawful, it was said, was of a "woman or girl" to become a prostitute or to give herself up to debauchery or to engage in any other immoral practice.

The intent of the white slave law, the dissenting Justices held, is to suppress "the white slave traffic, commercial vice, or immorality having a mercenary purpose."

That Congressman Mann in writing the law said there was no intention to interfere with the powers of the States was another reason for holding the law was not intended to cover non-commercial vice.

"The result," the opinion summed up, "is grave, and should give us pause."

Subject of Cabinet Discussion.

Because of the prominence and standing of the principals, the Diggs-Caminetti case has occupied national attention since the eloquent of F. Drew Caminetti and Maury I. Diggs with Lora Morris, nineteen, and Martha Warrington, twenty, March 10, 1913.

Trial of the young men on white slavery charges in Sacramento developed many sensations, and at one time was the subject of Cabinet discussion.

Before the first trial United States Attorney McNab resigned, declaring as a reason for his resignation that his hands had been tied in the prosecution of the Diggs-Caminetti case by the Attorney General.

Urged Cases Be Pushed.

Resolutions for a Congressional probe quickly followed. McNab was a Republican holdover, and was accused of injecting politics into the case. Shortly after his resignation and sensational statement his assistant was suspended by wire, and the case was the subject of long and acrimonious debate in Congress.

The men in the case, both married, and the two girls, who were unmarried, lived together four days at Reno following the eloquent, it was alleged, before they were arrested on complaint of the fathers of the young women.

May 19 the men were indicted for violating the Mann white slave act, put under bonds of \$10,000 each, and their cases put on the June calendar for trial. Citizens all over California petitioned District Attorney McNab to push the cases.

Sensational developments followed rapidly, as shown in the following brief chronicle of events leading to the trial.

May 27—United States Attorney McNab wires Attorney General McReynolds that both prisoners were boasting of their "influence a Washington" and that strenuous efforts were being made to secure postponement of trials; also that bribery and perjury were being used in their behalf.

June 18—Secretary of Labor Wilson telephones McReynolds "that Commissioner of Immigration Caminetti, who has applied for leave of absence to attend the trial of his son, cannot be spared."

June 19—McReynolds telegraphs McNab to postpone the cases till fall.

June 21—McNab sends in resignation to President Wilson.

June 22—McReynolds' comment: "I'm not shedding any tears; he is a Republican."

June 23—Secretary of Labor Wilson assumes responsibility for McReynolds' action. A Cabinet meeting is called and President Wilson overrules McReynolds and orders the cases rushed.

President Rebuked McNab.

June 24—The President accepts McNab's resignation with a rebuke for giving "his resignation the form of an inexcusable intimation of injustice and wrongdoing." In a letter to McReynolds he says: "I am entirely satisfied that the course you took in these cases was prompted by sound and impartial judgment and a clear insight for what was fair and right."

June 28—James C. Mann, Republican leader, bitterly attacks McReynolds and Secretary Wilson, both Cabinet officers.

July 6—The papers print the suppressed correspondence between McReynolds and McNab and others, showing the Attorney General knew of the seriousness of the case.

July 19—Republicans start a filibuster in Senate to secure a full discussion of the case.

July 26—Filibuster ends with victory for Republicans.

August 5—Trial began.

Men and women fought for admission to the court room, and the trial was even more dramatic and sensational than the events which preceded it.

Both men were found guilty, and the cases found their way to the Supreme Court of the United States on appeal.

MOMUS BANQUET FEBRUARY 5.

The Knights of Momus (Knockers) announced today that the twelfth annual banquet of the association will be held at Raucher's on February 5.

MANN WON'T CHANGE ACT

Says He Will Not Offer Any "White Slave" Amendment.

Asked this afternoon if there would be any effort to amend the Mann law so as to exclude noncommercial cases, Congressman Mann, author of the measure, replied:

"Not on my part. I have never heard any talk in Congress about changing the law, although there has been talk on the outside of amending it. The Department of Justice has wanted to strengthen the law, while other people wanted to weaken it—if you can call it that—by excluding non-commercial cases."

HEAVY VOTE POLLED IN PICTURE CONTEST

Public Took Deep Interest in Balloting for Best in Corcoran Exhibit.

"So heavy was the balloting last week in the popular contest of the Corcoran Gallery of Art that the tellers could not finish counting the votes in time for an announcement today."

C. Powell Minnigerode, secretary and director of the gallery, had 6,000 ballots printed, but these ran out before the close of yesterday afternoon, when 3,000 persons visited the exhibition, and most of them voted.

Charles C. Glover, president of the trustees, and Henry White, former ambassador to France, watched the balloting for a time this morning. Both said they believed the popular referendum had aroused great interest in the exhibition, and had been especially valuable in stimulating interest.

The tellers were representatives of local newspapers. The trustees asked the newspaper men to count the ballots because of the great interest taken by the papers here in the contest.

Announcement probably will be made tomorrow of the result of the popular voting. Only about half of the ballots have been counted.

WILL PRESENT PRIZES

Servants to Get Awards From Women's Club Federation.

Congressman Addison T. Smith of Idaho, will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs for presentation of prizes offered in the recent domestic employee contest under the auspices of the home economics department.

Mrs. J. Edson Briggs, who directed the competition, will preside. To prizes of \$10 will be awarded in gold, silver and bronze to the winners of the service of one mistress, and the other for the domestic longest with one family.

The \$5 in gold donated by the Oldest Inhabitants' Association will go to the man-servant having the longest term. Another \$5 in gold, given by Mrs. Briggs, will be awarded to the domestic showing the greatest number of points in long service, faithfulness, and efficiency.

A \$5 prize given by Miss Frances Graham French will be presented to the second most faithful and efficient domestic.

Mrs. John D. Patten will distribute the prizes.

MINNESOTA SUNK

Three Ships of That Name Are Listed by Lloyds.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The steamer Minnesota has been sunk in a collision today.

Lloyds lists three steamers named Minnesota.

First—The 20,715-ton vessel owned by the Great Northern Steamship Co. Second—The 4,300-ton iron steamer owned by the Chicago and Duluth Transportation Co.

Third—The 3,216-ton steel steamer owned by the Atlantic Transport Co., registered at London.

TO DISCUSS ROSE CULTURE.

A discussion of the roses best adapted to this section of the country will be one of the matters taken up at the annual session of the Potomac Rose Society Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the president, J. F. Daly, 4324 Eighth street northwest.

MISS POWELL TO LECTURE.

Miss Louise Cutts Powell will lecture tonight at Hotel Portland on "Pythagoras' Law of Love, Marriage and Business."

INDORSE FILM CAMPAIGN.

The campaign of the Federation of Women's Clubs to secure better films for the children of Washington was endorsed at a meeting of the Falls Church Woman's Civic League Friday.

WOULD KEEP MEAT HOME.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—Much criticism developed here today over the sale of a prize steer to a stock farm at Bushy Hill. The critics say every pound of beef should remain in England.

POSAM EXCELS IN CONQUERING WORST ECZEMA

That results should show overnight is a great deal to expect of any skin remedy—except Poslam. But Poslam differs from all other remedies in possessing healing energy in a more concentrated and more active form. That is the reason why in stubborn eczema it shortens the time of treatment and drives away minor troubles before they become serious.

It is a pacifying balm to angry irritated surfaces.

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Urge your skin to become clearer, fresher, better by the daily use of Poslam Soap, medicated with Poslam.

Adv.

MANY CONTRIBUTE TO INAUGURAL FUND

More Than \$45,000 Subscribed So Far Toward Expenses of March 5 Event.

Contributions to the inaugural fund are literally pouring in today.

Arthur Peter, chairman of the finance committee, and the committee's treasurer, reported to Col. Robert N. Harper, chairman of the inaugural committee this afternoon, that indications are that most of the underdog assessments made against the various Frankish and professional men of the city, will have been paid in part before the whirlwind collection campaign, scheduled to begin this week, is put under way.

More than \$45,000 has been subscribed thus far.

Additional Contributions.

Mr. Peter this afternoon announced the following additional contributions: Harry Wardman, \$1,000; Clarence P. King, \$500; G. Nordlinger, \$500; Underwood Typewriter Company, \$250; Samuel Ross, \$250; B. F. Saul, \$250; Frank J. Jeff, Inc., \$100; A. M. McLaughlin, \$100; George W. Offutt, \$100; Joseph Crupper, \$100.

Following a conference with Charles A. Douglas, chairman of the reception committee, Colonel Harper announced this afternoon that plans are again under way for some sort of a "social function" for the night of March 5, to take the place of the inaugural ball, which has been tabooed by President Wilson. The nature of this function, he said, has not yet been definitely decided upon.

We have not yet given up hopes of having a substitute of some kind for the ball," Colonel Harper said.

Rockville to Be Represented.

Rockville and Montgomery county, Md., are to have a big representation in the inaugural parade this year. Col. L. L. Nicholson, of the Montgomery county capital, was at headquarters today, discussing with Secretary Alvin G. Belt the plans which the Marylanders are making to have a large section in the parade on March 5.

Colonel Harper will go to the Capitol tomorrow and discuss again with Senator Overman the matter of introducing bill calling for a Federal appropriation of \$35,000 with which to pay the United States Government's part of the expenses of the inaugural ceremonies.

To Have Reviewing Stand.

Preliminary steps were taken by officials of the State, War, and Navy Departments to arrange for a reviewing stand at which officials and employees may view the parade.

A committee consisting of C. R. Whitney, of the State Department; M. Headley, of the War Department; and Howard Banks, of the Navy Department, was named to make arrangements.

This committee decided to advertise at once for bids for construction of a stand with seating capacity of 3,000. Seats in this stand will be sold to officials and clerks of the three departments at actual cost.

APPEALS FOR HELP

American Aid Still Badly Needed in Trenches.

"As chairman of the National Surgical Dressings Committee of the Woman's Department, National Civic Federation, I wish to appeal once more for renewed interest and sympathy in the war."

Mrs. Archibald Hopkins announces in a statement today.

"The new office which has been so kindly given us by Mr. Wilkins, 1301 Connecticut avenue, she continues, "is open daily between 10 o'clock and 1 o'clock from Mrs. Willard, who is still on the war front, shows the terrible need of American help there, and the great appreciation of what has already been done."

The report referred to is that of Mrs. Mary Hatch Willard, international chairman of the committee, contained in a printed bulletin just issued. This bulletin also contains communications from Miss Carita Spencer, national chairman of the committee, and Frederick L. Eldridge.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect Head

Because of its tonic and laxative effect, Laxative Bromo Quinine can be taken by anyone without causing nervousness or ringing in the head. There is only one "Bromo Quinine." E. W. GROVE'S signature is on box 25c.—Adv.

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SETBACK IS GIVEN TO CLERKS' RAISE

Senate Subcommittee's Adverse Report Adopted by Committee.

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to \$3,000; of the bond clerk, from \$3,000 to \$3,000; of the publicity agent, from \$3,000 to \$2,000, and of stenographers, from \$1,200 to \$1,000.

Pat on Same Level.

The explanation given for this action by Senators was that it was desired to put the salaries of this organization on a level with those prevailing in other departments or branches of the Government.

The bill was reduced in round numbers \$1,500,000 from the House bill, the chief decreases being in salaries. The most important increase in the bill was an allowance of \$135,000 for a census of marriage and divorce.

Amendment to Bill.

The committee put an amendment in the bill which requires that all clerks to members of the House delegates, and resident commissioners shall be placed on the roll of House employees and be subject to removal at the will of the members.

For many years members have received an allowance for clerk hire and have paid it out or not as they have seen fit. A great deal of complaint has been aroused over this practice.

The exact total of the bill as reported to the Senate is \$30,826,392.42. This is \$1,326,281.33 below the House bill. Ordinarily the Senate increases this bill over the amount fixed by the House. The decrease of salaries and

expenses for the Farm Loan Board amounts to \$50,000.

The committee struck out \$109,120 of the amount allowed by the House for the Children's Bureau of the Department of Labor. The allowance for that bureau was increased in the House after a sharp fight.

It is expected the House will resist the reduction.

TO FETE DARTMOUTH HEAD

Washington Alumni to Give Dinner For President January 23.

President Ernest M. Hopkins, of Dartmouth College, will be entertained at dinner by the Dartmouth Alumni Association of Washington, Tuesday evening, January 23, at 7:30 o'clock, at the Raleigh Hotel. A reception is to be held preceding the dinner to give the members of the association a chance to meet the president. The event will celebrate the first visit of President Hopkins to Washington since his inauguration.

Craven Laycock, dean of the college, also will come to Washington to attend the dinner. He will speak of the present activities at Hanover and the progress made during the past year.

An innovation is being inaugurated this year in the way of a "best-dressed dinner" in place of the customary banquet, and but two speeches, one by the president and the other by the dean, will be made. President Henry F. Blair, of the local alumni association, will act as master of ceremonies. The arrangement of the dinner is in the hands of the executive committee, composed of Carl H. Butman, chairman; A. A. Fisher, F. A. Walker, H. O. Sandberg, W. H. McCoy, and William J. Wallis, secretary.

Dr. Ernest Martin Hopkins, president of Dartmouth since June, 1916, is probably one of the youngest college presidents in the country, being only forty years old. He is a graduate of the college, and has specialized in vocational guidance.

Dean Laycock, of the class of '96, is the author of numerous publications on speaking and debating.

MILITANTS RAIDED BY LONDON POLICE

Issues of Britannia and Papers of Mrs. Pankhurst's Secretary Seized.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—London police made two spectacular raids on militant suffragettes yesterday.

They were carried out simultaneously—one against the printing office of the Woman's Social and Political Union, where forthcoming issues of Britannia, the woman's organ, were seized, and the other against a flat occupied by Miss Annie Kenney and Miss Grace Roe. The latter is Mrs. Pankhurst's private secretary.

All private papers and correspondence in the flat were ransacked.

"The only reason I can assign for the raids," said Mrs. Pankhurst, "is the criticism which the periodical Britannia, has recently aimed at the Government, and particularly against that section of the Government which favors a compromise peace."

POULTRY SHOW TO OPEN.

The fifth annual exhibit of the National Capital Poultry and Pigeon Association will open tomorrow in the Union building in G street, near Seventh, with the largest list of entries in the history of the organization. Two Government exhibits will be featured. The Department of Agriculture will show several appliances for improvement in the raising of poultry. The Postoffice Department will have a large exhibit designed to educate the public in preparing packages for parcel post shipment.

The Palais Royal

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Special 90c Tomorrow

Combinations, Envelope Chemise, Petticoats, and Gowns in bewildering variety. A word of the new gowns—of nainsook, pink or white batiste, novelty or white crepes, cambrics and muslins—nice qualities of materials and trimmings; finished to the last detail; empire, surplice, round or square neck models; sleeveless or with kimono, butterfly or set-in sleeves. Also old-fashioned long-sleeved gowns with high or surplice necks. Trimmed as follows:

- Fish-eye and German Valenciennes Laces.
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- Organdie Motifs.
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- Briar and Featherstitchings.
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